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SUBJECT: VIETNAM FAMILY REUNIONS

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1. REGRET DELAY IN OUR REPLY.

2. BANGKOK HAS MADE NO CONTACTS IN PAST W/FRENCH EMBASSY BANGKOK RE GOUGELMANN AND MONNIVANN CASES AS WE DID NOT WISH TO CONFUSE SITUATION BY ADDING A THIRD VOICE TO INITIAL APPROACHES COORDINATED BETWEEN DEPARTMENT AND EMBASSY PARIS.

3. OUR CURRENT UNDERSTANDING (REFTEL B) OF PROCEDURES FRENCH EMBASSY BANGKOK MUST FOLLOW IN ORDER TO CONTACT FRENCH CONSULATE IN HO CHI MINH CITY TENDS TO REINFORCE OUR SENSE THAT THE IMPACT OF ANY REPRESENTATIONS MADE HERE AT THIS TIME WOULD BE DISSIPATED AND LOST IN TRANSMISSION.

4. IF, HOWEVER, GOUGELMANN FAMILY AND/OR MME. MONNIVANN ABLE TO OBTAIN PERMISSION TO DEPART VIETNAM VIA BANGKOK, WE CAN EXPECT AIR FRANCE TO CONTACT US FOR ASSURANCES OF ACCEPTANCE OF RESPON-SIBILITY FOR PROCESSING OF CASES IN BANGKOK. WE WILL DO ALL WE CAN AT THAT TIME TO COORDINATE EFFORTS WITH DEPARTMENT, FRENCH,
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AIR FRANCE, INS AND RTG TO ASSIST WITH DEPARTURES FOR BANGKOK FROM VIETNAM AND WITH PROCESSING OF CASES FOR ENTRY INTO U S.
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